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For : VIDEO GAME THAT DISPLAYS PLAYER CHARACTERS OF
MUTIPLE PLAYERS IN THE SAME SCREEN

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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98 and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statements that were filed on June 7, 2004 and March 18, 2004, Applicant hereby submits a copy of a European Search Report that was mailed on October 29, 2004, with respect to patent family member European Patent Application No. EP 03028118.2, in which the following documents were cited:

- (1) European Patent Application Publication No. EP 0 872 266;
- (2) U.S. Patent No. 4,858,930;
- (3) U.S. Patent No. 6,422,939;
- (4) U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/142835;
- (5) European Patent Application Publication No. EP 1 245 255;
- (6) European Patent Application Publication No. EP 0 971 311;

- (7) U.S. Patent No. 6,409,604;
- (8) U.S. Patent No. 4,738,451;
- (9) European Patent Application Publication No. EP 0 809 214;
- (10) U.S. Patent No. 5,566,280;
- (11) European Patent Application Publication No. EP 0 911 069; and
- (12) U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2001/049300.

The category of relevance, pertinent portions, and claims to which documents (1)-(12) are relevant, as ascertained by the European Examiner applying European rules to the European claims are set forth in the European Search Report.

Applicant also submits herewith a copy of a Notice of Reasons for Rejection that was mailed on September 7, 2004 (together with an English language translation of the same), with regard to patent family member Japanese Patent Application No. 2002-357268, in which the following documents were cited:

- (13) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 11-300036, together with an English language translation of the same;
- (14) "The PlayStation Books, Ace Combat Perfect Guidebook", INTERNET Magazine, 1st Edition, Softbank Publishing Inc., August 1, 1995, pp. 6-10, together with a partial English language translation of the same;
- (15) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2000-157719, together with an English language Abstract of the same;
- (16) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2001-62141, together with an English language Abstract and a partial English language translation of the same;

- (17) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 7-85312, together with an English language Abstract of the same;
- (18) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2001-269482, together with an English language Abstract and a partial English language translation of the same; and
- (19) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2001-29655, together with an English language Abstract of the same.

The relevance of documents (13)-(19), as determined by the Japanese Examiner applying Japanese rules to the Japanese claims are set forth in the Notice of Reasons for Rejection.

Applicant notes that documents (1)-(8) were previously cited in an Information Disclosure Statement, and thus copies of these documents are not enclosed herewith.

Further to 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(ii), copies of the U.S. patent (document 10) and U.S. patent application publication (document 12) are not enclosed herewith. However, if any copies are needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. Copies of documents (9), (11), and (13)-(19) are attached and all of the documents are listed on the attached PTO-1449 Form. Copies of the European Search Report and the Japanese Notice of Reasons for Rejection (together with its English language translation) are also attached. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form and to return a copy of the completed Form to applicant with the next official communication in the present application.

Applicant notes that an Office Action on the merits has not issued in the present application, and thus no fee is believed necessary to ensure consideration of the submitted material. However, if an Office Action on the merits has issued and is crossing this statement in the mail, the undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any fee necessary for the consideration of this statement, including any payment under 37 C.F.R. §1.17 (p) to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully Submitted,
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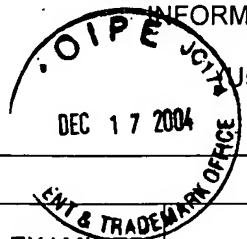
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OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

	1	"The PlayStation Books, Ace Combat Perfect Guidebook", INTERNET Magazine, 1 st Edition, Softbank Publishing Inc., August 1, 1995, pp. 6-10, together with a partial English language translation of the same.
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